

IT'S DEAD EASY SELLING GOODS

When the prices are on the

WILSON & DRAKE PLAN

We are the only Merchants in this part of the State who visit the Eastern Manufacturing Centers each season. As a result of this you can always find bright fresh Bargains in all departments of our immense stock; the kind of bargains the other fellows never hear tell of. Here are a few Bright Crisp Bargains direct from the makers. Our stock is full of the same kind in all departments:

An immense line of Ladies ready to wear dress Skirts in all the popular fabrics. One style is a neatly made Crash Skirt, at the remarkably low price of..... **45c**

Another style is very pretty Brocade Mohair, looks like the \$3.00 kind. Our price, as long as they last..... **\$1**
Beautiful Brocade Silk Skirts at..... \$4.40
Better Skirts at all prices. We show the only line of

Ladies Tailor Made Suits

in town.

House Cleaning Time

should turn your thoughts to our Upholstery and Carpet Departments. Floor coverings of all kinds. Oil Cloths, Linoleums, Straw, Hemp and Napier Matting, Union and Wool Ingrains and Moquette Carpets.

We start a full yard wide Carpet in bright, pretty colors at 14c a yard. Granite Carpets in beautiful designs—reversible, one side just as pretty as the other. These carpets are very strong, serviceable and cheap—only 28c

Wool Union Ingrain Carpets at 33c to 42c. All Wool Ingrains at 45c and up

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

We will put on Sale

2,800 yds Full Standard Dress Prints, **21c**
2,300 yds Best yard wide L.L. Muslin, **22c**

10 yards for 25c.; 40 yards for \$1.00, as long as they last. All these bargains are for our customers, and not for other merchants.

We Rustle for bargains!
You Reap the Benefits!

Our Shoe Department

Contains the cream of half a dozen different factories. Watch the papers next week for some startling prices.

Elegant Damask Portiers,

Beautiful in Pattern! Rich in Effects!
Inexpensive in Price!
\$2 00, \$3.40, \$4.40, \$5.00 and \$5.50 per pair.

Lace Curtains,

Brussels Net Curtains,
Colored Draperies,
of all kinds.

Bamboo Portiers,

Rope Portiers,
Lace Curtain Rods,
Sash Rods.

Make your home attractive with some of these ornaments.

Come to the Big Store to Buy Your Dry Goods, Clothing, Carpets, Shoes.

Checks on our Elegant New Soda Fountain are given free with each CASH purchase of 50 cents, good for the entire season of 1899. Yours for a Money Saving Deal,

North Side.

WILSON & DRAKE.

Genet.

Wm. Stallings is doing the architectural design on S. D. Butcher's rural villa. Winter rye is more or less damaged, and that sown late has not come up yet on account of dry weather.

Extensive prairie fires in every direction, with the usual cloud of ashes following today in the wind storm.

What am de gemen dat make de rain in dis county? What dey gaine do bout it now? Hab dey absquatulated?

It is reported that the U. P. is surveying south of Burwell, coming over to wards Broken Bow by way of Genet.

The fact is there is rather a poor prospect for wheat, but it must be held that old Custer county can redeem itself on shorter notice than any other place anywhere.

We ask is there any railroad news in Nebraska but the B. & M. Have they got everything cornered? Have Vanderbilt and J. Pierpont Morgan gone to London to talk it over?

Everything quiet over around Gant; always a calm before a storm; is some new party being born again that can keep a moral cinch on the free silver wing of the democratic party.

Takin' the report by states and counties of Orange Judd Farmer on damage to fruit and winter grain crops over a large scope of country, we should exert every means to raise a good crop in view of better prices.

In planting wheat some cultivate in corn stalks; others disk and press drill and disk in with and without harrowing, while some are burning the wheat stubble, sowing and plowing in with a bar share plow, or sowing broadcast on spring plowing, harrowing or planking to cover the grain, as if at a loss to find the best plan, and when it find, in the absence of farmers clubs, the information is lost to the majority. Let us organize as farmers and keep out of the past grabbing herd.

Lower Deer Creek.

Fishes are buzzing.
Birds are singing.
It must be spring has come!
Men are sowing.
Cows are lowing.
Just listen and hear things ham.
Women are cleaning.
We all know the meaning,
Of bedsteads and chairs awry;
Dinner not ready.
Tempers not steady.
For cobwebs and dirt must fly.
Hens are cackling.
Boys are wrestling.
And everything seems to say
Come, let us be cheery.
Light hearted and cheery,
For spring has come now to stay.

George Frew has at last got a well.
W. A. George lost two cows recently.
Bill Clark is working for Mr. John Cavenee.

Mr and Mrs W. A. George went to Broken Bow Tuesday.

Charlie Betts' family, of Broken Bow, are visiting at his brother Fred's.

The Misses Mertie and Bessie Williams visited at their sisters, Mrs. Jimmie Masons, Sunday.

L. A. George has gone to Gibbon to attend the annual meeting of the old settlers of Nebraska.

Yes, spring has really come at last and every body is anxious to do something to celebrate its coming if it is nothing more than set a hen or dig a post hole.

There was quite an exciting time here Tuesday. Messrs. William Davis and Harry Brown burned out a couple of draws and thinking all was well, Mr. Davis went home and Mr. Brown went to get a drink. While he was gone it jumped the road and so took some hard fighting to get it out.

Deer Creek

Weather very warm and ground in nice shape for spring.

Farming is under good headway; wheat nearly all sown and ready to put in oats.

Mr. Montgomery bought Mr. Taylor's fat cattle last Thursday; he drove them to Berwyn to ship.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Day are rejoicing over the arrival of a new boy; he dates his birthday from April 14th; mother and babe doing well, and we think that Charley will recover.

Last Tuesday evening several of the young folks gathered at the home of Mrs. Will Owen, it being her birthday. They reported having a nice time and a nice supper. They presented her with a set of silver knives and forks and other presents.

Ryno.

Rye is making a fine showing, getting green, and grass is making its appearance.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis McClure on last Saturday, a son, Mrs. Blant in attendance.

H. W. George, of kodak fame, is on the war path, prepared to take snap shots of anything that comes handy.

After a ten days siege of messes in the families of H. S. and G. W. Headley, they are convalescent at this writing.

Seeding is well advanced; several have finished, while many are still busy. I never heard of so much grain being sown in so short a time.

Garden making and house clearing are at hand; women looking out of the corner of their eyes; cold dinners to eat from the top of a barrel will be the result.

Weather clear and pleasant this Tuesday morning; on yesterday it was very windy, blowing everything off the homestead but the mortgage.

Mason City.

By Fanch and Judy.
Swince Anderson is padday on the rail road again.

Shad Chase and George Fielding attended themselves in their firemen's uniforms and went to Ansley Wednesday evening.

E. H. Burrows, of Ansley, was in town Monday.
Lou Larson went to Broken Bow Monday.

Miss Bea Dills returned from Anselmo Sunday morning.

P. B. Fielding took a lay off Thursday and went to Broken Bow.

Merle Fairfield and A. A. Coxson went to Ansley Sunday.

Mrs. Potter, of Litchfield, accompanied by her mother, were visiting with Mrs. C. E. Getchel Sunday.

C. H. Henderson, the photographer, is in town.

A. H. Barks, Carl Fairfield, Beryl and F. S. Moomey made up a party of bicyclers who went to Ansley Sunday.

S. M. Chase made a business trip to Loup City Sunday.

Miss Frances Munn, of Hazard, is visiting the family of F. S. Allen this week.
One of the line gang fell from a telegraph pole Monday and fractured his jaw. He was taken to Alliance.

Miss Kittie Coffman is visiting in Broken Bow with the family of D. M. Amsherry.

A. H. Barks is the proud possessor of a new wheel. As this is Mr. Barks' first wheel, and owing to his vain attempts to ride, he is laid up for repairs.

We understand that Chas. Whitehead is going on the road with his talking machine.

Link Crossley is loading a car of wheat for P. H. Marlay.

Deputy Postmaster Miller, Devil Anderson of the Transcript, Col. George Fielding, a gentleman of leisure, and Hon John R. Lamb made up a quartet of Mason City gentlemen who went fishing the first of the week. They made a great catch; they each caught a cold.

Hon. G. Washington Whitehead unloaded two cars of coal for E. Myers the first of the week.

Miss Eva Kamb, of Iowa, is visiting relatives in this city.

Col. J. H. McAdams ran a foot in his nail last week, owing to which he is now laid up for repairs.

Calvin Ritenour is working on the section at this place.

There was a revival in town last week, a revival of the Jack pot.

Mr. Samuel Fairfield has rented a piece of ground west of the lumber yard and is putting it into potatoes.

Why does a man learning to ride a wheel, rip, ravel and run down at the heel? A stork of obnoxious gum for the first correct solution. Address A. H. Barks.

Miss Lottie Simms returned to her home in Berwyn the first of the week.

Carl Fairfield was a business visitor at Ansley Sunday.

Floyd Graham went fishing the first of the week, and had the misfortune to fall in the creek. After standing in the water up to his shoe tops for an hour calling for help, he came to the conclusion he could rescue himself and walked ashore.

Don't forget the school entertainment at the hall Saturday night.

Mason City is a very musical little town. Frank Miller plunks a banjo, to the despair of his sorrowing relatives; Art Barks is trying himself and neighbors crazy by the wild wallings he produces on a violin. Slim Fielding makes the evenings hideous by his vain attempts to sing to the mournful thumps of a guitar. Bo. Allen cracks the air and his lips tooting a cornet; Mason also has a brass band which practices in the school section west of town.

Communicated.

Editor REPUBLICAN: I was much pleased that the good people of Broken Bow decided not to loosen the sale of intoxicating drinks. All the W. C. T. U. will rejoice in this praiseworthy act of your city. How much nobler to stand for the principles of right than from the money you get from an evil. H. C. F.

Spray Your Fruit Trees.

Spray your bearing fruit trees with London Purple and kill the Codling Moth. This will give you clean, smooth fruit. We sell the Excelsior Stahi Spraying outfit, the best sprayer made. To be effective spraying must be done as early as April and May. We also have a general assortment of forest and fruit trees, small fruit plants, roses, ornamental shrubs and red cedar evergreens. Call at Norfolk Nursery, or address E. D. Hammond, Norfolk, Neb. 420-81

L. O. O. F. Anniversary Celebration.

The Odd Fellows of our city will publicly celebrate the eightieth anniversary of the order on next Wednesday, April 26th, 1899, and all Odd Fellows in the city and county are cordially invited to be present and assist in making the occasion one of the most pleasant in the history of the order in Custer county. The exercises will be held in L. O. O. F. Hall, in Realty Block, during the afternoon and evening, to which the public is cordially invited. Members coming from other lodges are asked to bring their regalia. Broken Bow Lodge will supply regalia to transient brethren. The following will be the

PROGRAM.
AFTERNOON.
2:00.
Parade of Odd Fellows.
3:00.

Music.....
Prayer.....Rev. J. W. Megan
Music.....
Address of Welcome on behalf of City.....
.....Mayor J. H. Graham
Music.....
Welcome Address on behalf of Custer County Odd Fellows.....R. E. Brega
Music.....
Response to Welcome.....H. J. Shinn
Music.....

EVENING.
8:00
Anniversary Exercises at Hall.....
Music.....
Prayer.....Rev. J. W. Megan
Vocal Solo.....
Recitation.....
Piano Solo.....
Anniversary Address.....
.....Rev. L. P. Ludden, of Lincoln
Music.....

A Surprise.

As Mr. A. F. Ingraham was hauling his last year's crop of wheat to the elevator last Saturday, the 15th ult, his father-in-law, W. W. Cowles, became deeply interested in the unloading of the last two loads before the elevator might close for the night. Comrade Cowles left his fortress unguarded, without a sentinel in the block house or upon the fort, and while absent the Relief Corps and comrades of C. C. Washburne Post and others assembled at his home to pay him a tribute of respect and esteem, on his departure to Virginia and other points in the east, for a visit and tour of inspection for a year or two. To say that Comrade Cowles was surprised would be but to put it mildly, and all there enjoyed an evening of pleasure. The following were present: A. W. Drake and wife; John Bruce and wife; I. N. Snyder and wife; M. K. Hagadorn and wife; Joe Skelton and wife; C. E. Wheeler and wife; John Brewer and wife; Jas. Smith and wife; John Maulik and wife;

Mrs. Maxwell; Mrs. Thornburg; Miss Anna Russell; Comrades Rawson, Hartley, Dodd, Whitehead, Frey, Hayes and C. P. Russell. After eating angel cake until, like Topsey, we could almost feel the wings growing on us. Toasts were called for, Comrade John Rees being toastmaster. Each one was called upon to give vent to his feelings, and as the hour of midnight drew near there was a hand-shaking and breaking of camp. The average of age of comrades present was 59 1/2 years.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

ALL WOMEN AGREE.

A druggist in Macon, Ga., says: "I have sold a large quantity of **Mother's Friend**, and have never known an instance where it has failed to produce the good results claimed for it. All women agree that it makes labor shorter and less painful."



Mother's Friend

is not a chance remedy. Its good effects are readily experienced by all expectant mothers who use it. Years ago it passed the experimental stage. While it always shortens labor and lessens the pains of delivery, it is also of the greatest benefit during the earlier months of pregnancy. Morning sickness and nervousness are readily overcome, and the liniment relaxes the strained muscles, permitting them to expand without causing distress. Mother's Friend gives great recuperative power to the mother, and her recovery is sure and rapid. Danger from rising and swelled breasts is done away with completely.

Sold by druggists for \$1 a bottle.
THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO.
ATLANTA, GA.

Send for our free illustrated book for expectant mothers.
For La Grippe.
Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, corner Jackson street, - one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent druggists, recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for La Grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief but also counteracts any tendency of La Grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by all druggists.